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SUBJECT: 1975/76 LECTURER NOMINATIONS

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REF: (A) PRAGUE 562 AND (B) STATE 058359

1. EMBASSY IS PRESSING CZECH MINED FOREIGN RELATIONS CHIEF KUBRYCHT TO IDENTIFY ADEQUATE SUBSTITUTE FOR BURIAN/PANAKOVA (REFTEL A) IN ORDER INSURE TIMELY RESPONSE TO BOTH IREX AND BFS NOMINATIONS BUT WOULD APPRECIATE RECEIPT SOONEST BFS RESPONSE RE HELD EXTENSION (REFTEL B).
2. HELD REPORTS ENGLISH DEPARTMENT, CHARLES UNIVERSITY, IS CONSIDERING APPARENTLY UNDER PRESSURE FROM UNIDENTIFIED OFFICE UNILATERAL INCREASE IN AMERICAN PROFESSOR'S WORKLOAD FROM SIX TO TEN HOURS (LITERATURE) THIS FALL SEMESTER 1975.
3. EMBASSY ATTRIBUTES PROPOSED INCREASE TO REQUIREMENT ENGLISH DEPARTMENT COPE WITH INFLUX STUDENTS TRANSFERRED FROM DEFUNCT (SIC) 17TH OF NOVEMBER UNIVERSITY THROUGH ASSIGNMENT OF SOME CZECH ENGLISH AND AMERICAN LITERATURE PROFESSORS TO STRAIGHT LANGUAGE INSTRUCTION WITH HELD INHERITING SIZEABLE PORTION OF LITERATURE WORKLOAD.
4. EMBASSY INTENDS RAISE ISSUE WITH CZECH MINED CHIEF OF FOREIGN RELATIONS AT EARLIEST OPPORTUNITY DURING OFFICE CALL, BUT WOULD

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APPRECIATE FREEDOM TO DISCUSS HELD WORKLOAD IN SPECIFIC TERMS OF

HIS PERSONAL ASSESSMENT POTENTIALIMPACT NEXT YEAR OF NEW
WORKLOAD. TACTICAL EFFECT THIS APPROACH WOULD DEPEND ON WHETHER
HELD WILL BE FY 76 CHARLES PROFESSOR.

5. EMBASSY WOULD FURTHER APPRECIATE CU REACTION TO POSSIBILITY,
HOWEVER REMOT, OF PLACEMENT TWO AMERICAN PROFESSORS OF AMERICAN
LITERATURE AND/OR LANGUAGE (HELD AND BEGNAL) AT CHARLES UNIVERSITY,
SHOULD OPPORTUNITY EVOLVE FROM MANEUVERING BETWEEN EMBASSY AND
KUBRYCHT OVER QUESTION OF HELD WORKLOAD.

6. EMBASSY HAS NO OVER-RIDING INTEREST IN SOLUTION OF MINED
PROBLEMS WITH PLACEMENT OF 17TH OF NOVEMBER STUDENTS AND DOES
NOT ADVOCATE PERMANENT ASSIGNMENT TWO SUCH AMERICAN
LECTURERS AT CHARLES, BUT CAN FORESEE OPPORTUNITY TO OPEN
DOOR FOR TRANSFER OF ONE OF TWO IN FOLLOWING YEAR TO BRNO OR
OLOMOUC, WHERE, AS CU IS WELL AWARE, EMBASSY HAS SCANT HOPE OF
SUCH PLACEMENT WITHOUT EMPLOYING SUCH OBLIQUE
APPROACHES.

7. ADDITIONALLY, AS DISCUSSED AT LENGTH WITH RICHMOND, SUCH
RELATIVELY UNCONTROVERSIAL DISPERSAL OF AMERICAN PROFESSORS
ACTUALLY TEACHING CZECH OR SLOVAK STUDENTS DOES ADVANCE THE
POSSIBILITY OF LATER PLACEMENT OF AMERICAN PROFESSORS IN OTHER
FIELDS IN THESE INSTITUTIONS.

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